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NO MORE BIDDERS

W. H. Wilson Will Recommend Plans to School Board

Thinks Schools Should Not Be Built by Contract.

WOULD BE CHEAPER.

Estimated That Great Saving Would Be Result.

Estimates on Plans Are Less in Other Towns.

At the next meeting of the board of education the recommendation will be made by W. H. Wilson, chairman of the building committee, that in the future building of school houses the board employ its own labor and do the work itself, through a hired superintendent, rather than follow the present method of building by contract longer. If the school board approves this radical change in method Topeka contractors will be deprived of an important department of their work. The annual outlay for new school buildings in Topeka has for several years amounted to many thousands of dollars.

In Kansas City and other places the erection of school buildings is conducted on this plan. In Kansas City the superintendent of construction also designs most of the buildings erected by the school board and is paid an annual salary. Inconveniences of various sorts resulting from the contract system is vogue in Topeka have led the members of the board of education to seek for some more satisfactory method of getting the building done. Mr. Wilson, as chairman of the building committee, has had considerable experience with that feature of the board's activities and has concluded that it is time to institute a new system.

In discussing the situation and conditions which have led him to his conclusion as to the proper method of doing public school building Mr. Wilson said this morning:

"The board of education has been led to think for some time that it not quite received fair treatment at the hands of contractors who bid upon its work. It has been found impossible to do work here at prices for which it is done in Newton and other far smaller towns over the state. We have been told by architects that such and such a structure was put up at a certain price and for certain figures, but when we received bids upon exactly the same work we found it cost from \$3,000 to \$5,000 more to do it."

"Becoming interested in the project of doing our work ourselves, I looked up the legal aspect of the subject and found no objection to hiring the work done. It will be proper for us to employ our superintendent, buy our material, and do the work ourselves, and I believe we can save money by that method. As yet I have had no opportunity to discuss the matter with other members of the board of education, and can not tell what attitude may be taken upon this suggestion. In case another extra meeting is called to take up the Parkdale matter, I will propose it then. Other members will go over until the monthly August meeting."

The determination of Chairman Wilson to place the proposition before the school board is a matter of which the board is well aware. It is intended to reach after an ineffectual effort to make a contract with Lundgren & Carlson, contractors, who were awarded the construction of the Lafayette street building in Parkdale. The hitch in proceedings is due to the decision to change material in the building and to begin work upon the Parkdale building during the early part of July, but the contract has not yet been signed and it will be impossible to commence work now for several weeks. It is hoped by Chairman Wilson that some arrangement will be made by which the school can be ready for occupancy by the opening of the spring term.

According to the proposition submitted by Lundgren & Carlson, a building was to be erected at a cost of about \$16,000. At the time the school board was disposed to favor the use of a good quality of vitrified brick, but it was later found that the use of pressed brick would be more economical. To accommodate this desire Lundgren & Carlson offered to put in vitrified brick at a cost of \$75 less than their offer for the use of pressed brick. Upon this understanding the board of

education signified its acceptance of that offer and the building committee looked about for suitable vitrified brick. The discovery was soon made that the right sort of vitrified brick could not be obtained, and an offer was made by the Willard brick plant to furnish pressed brick at a cost of \$2 per thousand. This offer was not accepted, as it would cost more to lay the pressed brick than the vitrified and that the same estimate for labor would not apply to the two sorts of material.

Since the declaration of the contractors last Saturday afternoon to this arrangement nothing has been done toward beginning work upon the new Parkdale building. The regular meeting of the board of education will occur on Monday night. A meeting may be called prior to that time to take up the building proposition, but it is likely to away further delays to the commencement of work on the east side.

POPULISTS MEET

In an Effort to Reorganize Their Party, at Denver.

Denver, July 27.—Pursuant to a call issued by J. A. Edgerton, secretary of the National People's party, delegates representing Populists, fusion Populists, middle-of-the-road Populists and single taxers will hold a three days' conference in this city beginning at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The object of the conference is to reunite the Populist party and prepare for the campaign next year. So far about 50 delegates have arrived and probably twice that number will be present. This afternoon's session will be taken up with organization and listening to an address by former Senator William V. Allen of Nebraska. He will speak on "The Aims and Future of Populism." Most of the delegates arriving here are from Nebraska, Kansas and Texas, although other states will be represented.

Among the more prominent delegates already here are former Senator Allen of Nebraska, Auditor J. H. Calderhead of Montana, D. A. H. Reemelin of Cincinnati and Judge Dahomey of Texas.

LINED WITH SOLDIERS.

Condition of Panama's Streets as Cabled Washington.

Washington, July 27.—Consul General Gaudier at Panama has made the following report by cable to the state department of episode at that city: "Last night about 10 o'clock soldiers headed by the commander in chief searched the governor's house. The governor escaped. Tried to reach the consulate, but was intercepted; took refuge at the house of an American. Streets lined with soldiers. Arrested several of state, chief of police and departmental employees. Department has money."

Another dispatch today from Mr. Gaudier says the governorship has been tendered, but it is not known to whom. He added that the situation is grave. Acting Secretary Loomis has decided to take further action before taking action. It happens that the navy is weak on the Pacific side at this moment, owing to the absence of the Pacific squadron in Alaska waters. But in case of need either the Harriet or the Panther on the Gulf side could be speedily dispatched to Colon and a detachment of marines sent by rail to Panama.

Woman Clown Will Marry.

New York, July 27.—Myrtle Fawcett, who was the woman clown with the Barnum & Bailey circus during its tour of Europe in 1896-97-98 and who is now with the Fawcett Bill Wild West show, is to be married August 3 to Harry Fenton, one of the rough riders in the same show. Fenton is serving in the show with a detachment of the Third United States cavalry, whose chief duty is to put to rout a party of real Filipinos.

POLICE JOTTINGS.

Robert Morgan Imitates Famous Raider of Same Name.

Intended to Shoot Mrs. Odom but She Objected.

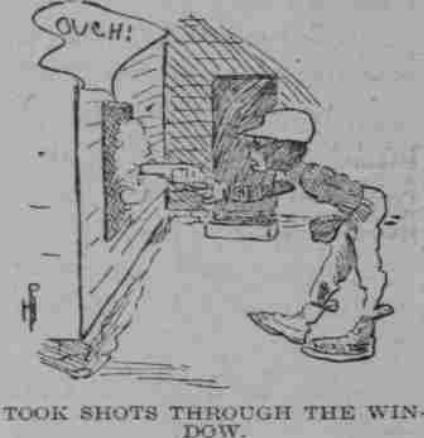
BUTLER WAS BAD MAN.

Was Doing as Namesake Did in New Orleans.

Sheriff Lucas Finds Deputy He Did Not Know.

Only a few people stayed in Topeka Sunday. Among them were Mr. Robert Morgan, colored, and Mrs. John Odom, also colored.

It seems from what occurred that Mr. Morgan had decided to shoot Mrs. Odom upon a few lines and chose Sunday as the time when he was least liable to be interfered with. So he took his little shooting iron about 3:30 a. m. and repaired to the home of Madame Odom, who resides back of the pop factory at Second and Kansas avenue. Upon his arrival he went in after the woman, who ducked into another room. Perhaps Mrs. Odom, who was shot by the same man on a former occasion, objected to being shot on such an extremely warm Sunday morning. Mr. Morgan ran out and took five shots at her through the screen in the window, and succeeded in planting two out of the five leaden pellets in her neck. Then Morgan jumped a fence and escaped. The police are looking for him. Mr. Morgan, who is a pair of propellers' boots with trousers inserted, was the best sprinter.



TOOK SHOTS THROUGH THE WINDOW.

After half the police force had spent the forenoon in fishing the junkies along the river for many miles west, and searched all the boxcars in the Rock Island yards, it was ascertained that the man behind the gun had flown to the wilds of North Topeka. All night the minions of the law were on the look for him, and this morning he arrived at the police station, just 24 hours after the shooting and presented his complaint to the jailer. It was something of a shock to the officers who had been hunting him to see him march in, accompanied by no one but his maternal ancestor. He was turned over to the city officials on a charge of shooting with intent to kill. It seems that when Morgan has nothing else to do he takes a few rounds at John Odom's wife. Some years ago he shot her near the banks of the classic Shunganuma. This time, as before, she will recover, and be in shape to be shot some more whenever Morgan gets around to it.

Along during the first bell of the port dog watch Sunday morning, Officers Duncan and James were doing their walk-about stunt in the vicinity of Huxton and Tyler streets when they discovered one who greatly resembles the same in the nighttime as it would be at noon. He walked silently, with his neck stuck out in front, and his hands drawn rapidly over one eye. In his trousers he wore a long bolo, or butcher knife, and in the hindmost part of the same trousers he carried a deadly 22-caliber revolver. He was so extremely "bald" looking that the cat in the alley suddenly cut out his song of anguish and flocked under a billboard. When questioned concerning the use of the dread scimitar, he replied that he wore it for the purpose of having his coat-of-arms on the person of one Holloway, also colored. This morning the court examined the deadly



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22 and the rusty bread chopper, and then soaked Mr. Butler twenty-five days. Mr. Butler announced that he was a laboring man, and had been doing for North Topeka what his illustrious namesake had done for New Or-



THIS MAN WAS VERY BAD.

leans, viz., cleaning it out. According to the order of the court he will spend the next two dozen and one days in the same manner.

Mr. Charles Korts is a watchman in the Union Pacific yards, in North Topeka. He is also an alleged deputy sheriff, but Bert Lucas doesn't know it. For many months he has been in the U. P. property has labored under the delusion that he was high muck of the North side, and that policemen were only chumps and plain chumps. Of late he has conceived the erroneous idea that they have no business on railroad property, and no right to arrest a man in the yards except on a warrant of his personal request. Last night he tried to convince Officer Riley that a policeman had no such right, but he was wrong. The policeman, who had spent the entire day in chasing "Bud" Morgan, with no sleep for thirty-six hours, was not feeling very humorous, so he just arrested Mr. Korts for interfering with an officer.

FOR OLD SOLDIERS.

G. A. R. Will Distribute \$3,000 to Flood Sufferers.

Department Commander A. W. Smith of the G. A. R. has upwards of \$3,000 in the bank which will be distributed between now and August 15 among the old soldiers of the state who have suffered from the devastation of the flood. Commander Smith has appointed Bernard Kelley to assist him in the distribution of the money.

In passing out the relief checks, Commander Smith will use the various post commanders as distributing agents. The post commanders will be given a check for the amount of the money, and the age was sustained are now sending to Commander Smith complete lists of all old soldiers who were damaged by the flood. The list gives the name, the estimated amount of loss sustained, the pension which the man draws, and also a brief statement of the financial circumstances of the person. "It is going to be a difficult matter to make an equitable distribution," said Commander Smith this morning. "We want to make the \$3,000 go as far as possible. If we find that a contractor sustained damage by the flood, but has considerable other property and is in no distress, we will cut him off with a much smaller allowance than the one who lost practically everything he had in the world. Most of the money will be used at Topeka, Lawrence and Kansas City, though some will be sent to other floods, where old soldiers suffered loss will be looked after."

It will be distributed purely to individuals, and not to towns. Each check will be accompanied by a receipt, and the circumstances will determine how much relief will be allowed.

"Checks for the amount allowed will be sent by me to the post commanders. Each check will be accompanied by a receipt. The post commander will turn the check over to the person designated, and take his receipt, and then send the receipt to this office. We will thus have a double system of receipts, the check itself being one."

There are probably about 200 old soldiers in the city who have sustained damage from the flood. If each one should get some aid, it would allow only about \$16 apiece. But the number of recipients is not so large. It may be held down to less than 100, which would give an average of \$30 apiece. The amount of the pension which a soldier receives will have considerable effect on determining how much aid shall be given. If a man has a \$30 pension, and he can get that from a small slice of relief than the small pensioner.

In North Topeka there are about fifty men in the list of those members of Blue post who sustained damage. The heaviest single loser is Aaron Sheets, whose loss is estimated at \$8,000. His financial position is such that he will of course receive no aid, and doubtless the dry goods merchant is set down for a \$4,000 loss. B. A. Barrett, the drug store man, lost \$1,000. Both of these are not in very bad shape, financially, however.

Commander Smith says that he will try to finish the distribution of the \$3,000 before August 15, when the state fair will be closed, and the Kansas delegation will start for San Francisco to attend the national encampment.

NEW RECORD ESTABLISHED

Contractors at the World's Fair Making Rapid Headway.

St. Louis, July 27.—A record in the rapid construction of big exposition buildings is being made by the contractors who are putting up the mammoth palace of agriculture at the world's fair at St. Louis.

The building when completed will be 648x1,600 feet and will cover more than 21 acres. On July 15, after 19 days of work, 1,000 feet of the framework of the giant structure had been erected, and the work was progressing so satisfactorily that it was confidently predicted that the remainder would be completed in 12 days more.

Caldwell & Drake are the contractors. Though they were awarded the contract last March, much time was spent in getting the materials and getting them on the ground, so that they did not begin work until after the dedication on May 1. Then a small force began laying

When the real work began Mr. Caldwell, who personally directs the operations, put on 730 men, who were working in a day and night shift of 40 men is also employed. Work started on the north end. As soon as the framework was finished on the north the staff workers began their task, and they are closely following the builders on the journey southward of 1,600 feet.

Mr. Caldwell says that by December 1, when the building is due to be turned over to the exposition officials, the great building will be complete in every detail.

Although the agricultural palace is only one story high, and without galleries, the proportions are perfect and artistic. The great structure stands on Skinner hill, south of the administra-

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The Department of Farm Products and Country Collective Exhibits to be held under the auspices of the Kansas State Grange.

The State Dairy Show under the auspices of the Kansas Dairy Association.

M. A. LOW, President.
CHAS. H. SAMPSON, Secretary.

NORTH TOPEKA.

Leave items for this column with the Kimball Printing Company, 312 North Kansas Avenue.

Miss Bessie Root is in Kansas City. S. L. Courtney returned today from a business trip to Oklahoma City.

The Misses Conkling of Lyon county are the guests of their aunt, Mrs. E. Conkling.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Goodman will go to housekeeping the first of the month at 1208 Jackson street.

Mrs. M. C. Braudry of Jackson street has returned from a visit to friends at McPherson and Lindsborg.

Miss Lucile Lambert arrived today from Oklahoma City for a visit of a few weeks to friends in and near Topeka.

Temporary office of North Topeka Dental parlors in Central National bank building, Seventh and Kansas avenue.

Mr. Clark Nelsender spent Sunday with Mrs. Nelsender who is visiting her parents near Silver Lake for the summer.

Mrs. Frank Gear of the New Era departed yesterday afternoon from Kansas City where she went to purchase new stock.

The city is repairing the sewer at the corner of Laurent and Quincy streets. The main at this place was washed out by the high water.

Miss Permelia Curtis will attend school this winter in Washington City where she will give special attention to Latin, French and other languages.

Miss Julia Keyes, and niece, Miss Morgan and Miss Harriet Morgan, returned today from Emporia where they have been visiting for the past few days.

There was a slight change for the better today in the condition of Mrs. R. B. McMaster and although she is not yet danger, there is now hope of her recovery.

Owing to the repairs that are being made on the Kansas Avenue M. E. church the meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held yesterday afternoon in the north room of the Quincy school building.

There will be an important meeting of D. of H. No. 25 Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at 227 South Monroe street. All members are urged to attend. Harriet Morgan, recorder; Grace C. Holmes, C. of H.

George Hoyes accompanied his mother, Mrs. Frank Hoyes, to Spring Hill Saturday night. Mrs. Hoyes will remain there some time visiting relatives but Mr. Hoyes returned this morning.

Harry Sampey and family moved today to 1130 Van Buren street. Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bridge and family who have been occupying this property since the flood have returned to their own home at 1125 Van Buren street.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Buck, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Fagan, will leave the first of September for California where they will spend the next year. During their absence their home at 1125 Jackson street will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Camp.

Although Mr. G. W. Petro, corner of Gordon and Harrison streets, lost his garden by the flood, he had no intention of being cheated out of enjoying fresh vegetables of his own growing. He has planted his garden again, and the results are entirely satisfactory. His corn is up two feet and his table has been supplied with radishes for several days past.

There are lots of tired people in North Topeka today. These are not the people who put in Sunday as any other day and shoveled mud until dark, but they

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are the ones who took a holiday and went to enjoy an outing at Vinewood. The majority of these arrived home some time this morning between 3 and 4 o'clock, having returned from Twelfth and Madison streets.

Nicholson's dust sprinkler today kept the dust under control on the avenue, but the lime dust from the buildings where the fronts are being torn down was hard to evade. This was true in block 800, where at the Arnold building, 827-829, and the Parsons building, 831, the workmen were busy tearing out a portion of the front walls. The foundations at the front of these buildings have settled somewhat and after they have been repaired the fronts will be rebuilt.

Mrs. Maurice Todd returned last week to Las Vegas, N. M., after a short visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, of 1101 Madison street. She was accompanied by her mother, who will be her guest for a short time.

Mrs. J. A. Campbell left yesterday for Chicago, where she will visit her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Morrison. Miss Jessie Campbell, who left Saturday for Scotland, will stop at St. Louis and Chicago en route.

Mrs. Campbell's presence in Chicago will be an agreeable surprise to her daughter, as she knew nothing of her mother's proposed visit.

The members of the Second Presbyterian church held their services yesterday in the north room of the Quincy school building. This is the first service the Presbyterians have had since before the flood and the privilege of meeting and worshipping together again was appreciated by the many who came to the services yesterday. Sunday school was held at half past nine and fifty scholars were in attendance. The usual week night service will be held Thursday evening in this same place. The room for yesterday's service had been made very attractive, the small seats had been removed to one side of the room and the pews from the church brought over and placed in the center. The church organ, which has been repaired was used, Mrs. A. J. Arnold playing for both services.

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